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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed February 12, 2002, please reconsider the above-identified application as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

- (1) Kindly amend Claim 1 as follows:
- I. (Amended) A context controller for managing multitasking of a plurality of tasks including foreground tasks and background tasks in a processor, comprising:

